Statistical Information Out of Home Placement

Placement Statistics for All Children in Alaska OCS Out-of-home placement on March 31, 2010.

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Average Statistics of Children in Out-of-home placement on March 31, 2010, by Region.

	Anchorage	Northern	South Central	Southeast	Statewide
Count	759	356	743	191	2,049
Mean Age	7.0	7.5	8.5	8.7	7.8
Median Age	6.0	7.0	8.0	8.0	7.0
Minimum Placements	1	1	1	1	1
Maximum Placements	35	31	27	25	35
Mean Placements	4.3	4.2	3.8	4.2	4.1
Median Placements	3.0	3.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
Minimum Time in Care	1	6	7	11	1
Maximum Time in Care	5,023	4,485	5,414	4,627	5,414
Mean Time in Care	750.6	609.0	715.1	734.3	711.6
Median Time in Care	543.0	418.0	524.0	610.0	524.0

Average Statistics of Children in Out-of-home placement on March 31, 2010, by Race.

	Native ¹	White ²	Other ³	Und.	Statewide	¹ Native is any mention of
Count	1,268	560	158	63	2,049	Alaska Native or
Mean Age	7.8	8.1	7.3	5.8	7.8	American Indian.
Median Age	7.0	7.0	5.5	4.0	7.0	² White is White only,
Minimum Placements	1	1	1	1	1	excluding all other races.
Maximum Placements	31	26	35	17	35	³ Other includes any
Mean Placements	4.3	3.8	3.8	2.4	4.1	mention of Asian, Native
Median Placements	3.0	3.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	Hawaiian/Pacific
Minimum Time in Care	5	9	1	6	1	Islander, or
Maximum Time in Care	5,414	4,311	5,023	1,377	5,414	Black/African
Mean Time in Care	723.7	733.2	703.3	297.2	711.6	American.
Median Time in Care	555.0	518.0	409.0	158.0	524.0	

Mean is the arithmetic mean average, commonly referred to as the 'average'.

Median is the median average, containing the middle value. Half of the observations are less than this value, and half of the observations are greater than this value.

Placements are the number of times children in OCS Out of Home placement have changed homes.

Time in Care is measured in days.

Data Source: ORCA. Program used to tabulate statistics: monthly_ooh_web.sas.

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Removal Statistics of children in Out-of-home placement for the month of March, 2010.

	Male	Female	Statewide
Count	29	30	59
Youngest	0	0	0
Oldest	16	17	17
Mean Age	5.4	6.9	6.1
Median Age	4.0	6.0	5.0

Discharge Statistics of children in Out-of-home placement for the month of March, 2010.

	Male	Female	Statewide
Count	12	14	26
Mean Age	11.1	8.9	9.9
Median Age	11.0	9.0	11.0
Minimum Placements	1	1	1
Maximum Placements	20	11	20
Mean Placements	5.0	3.5	4.2
Median Placements	1.5	3.0	2.5
Minimum Time	17	4	4
Maximum Time	3,673	2,675	3,673
Mean Time	1,058.7	899.6	973.0
Median Time	954.5	641.5	759.0

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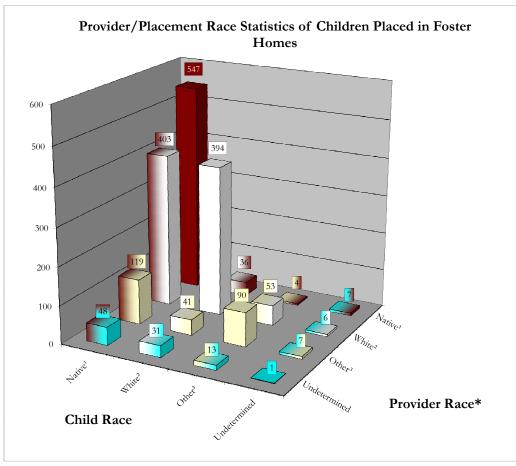
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Provider/Placement Race Statistics of Children Placed in Foster Homes on March 31, 2010

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			Provider Rac	re
Child Race	Native ¹	White2	Other ³	Undetermined
Native ¹	420	348	109	37
White ²	26	315	41	37
Other ³	3	42	61	7
Undetermined	8	28	3	11
Total	457	733	214	92
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Child Race	Native ¹	White ²	Other ³	Undetermined
Native ¹	28%	23%	7%	2%
White ²	2%	21%	3%	2%
Other ³	0%	3%	4%	0%
Undetermined	1%	2%	0%	1%
Providers	31%	49%	14%	6%

¹ Native is any mention of Alaska Native or American Indian.

Only children placed with providers designated as a Foster Care Home are counted in this report.

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³ Other includes any mention of Asian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or Black/African American.

^{*}Providers with multiple caretakers are designated as Native if at least one caretaker is Native, White if all caretakers are White, Other if at least one Caretaker is Other while none are Native.